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## MAN UNDER ARREST FOR MOFFITT MURDER

**Samuel Roberts is Held  
in Connection With  
Brutal Murder.**

### TWO ARE NOW MISSING

**Joseph Roberts and Peter  
Daily Being Sought For--  
Signs of Terrible Struggle**

Charged with having brutally murdered Charles Moffitt, blacksmith, aged 51 years, at his shop in West Brownsville some time Friday night, Samuel Roberts, aged 40 years, is under arrest and the police are looking for Joseph Roberts and Peter Dailey, who it is believed can throw some light on the crime of which but few details are known.

Denying that he knows anything about Moffitt's death Roberts admits it is said that he spent Friday night at Moffitt's place. He says that he was taken there when drunk and that he fell asleep and heard nothing of the terrible struggle that must have taken place.

His skull crushed in, his face smeared with blood and numerous cuts and bruises about the body, Moffitt's lifeless body was found Saturday morning about 5 o'clock by Isaac Smalley, a lifelong friend and employee of Moffitt. Blood stains and broken furniture indicate that there was a furious struggle. A bloody chair leg near the body indicates that it was the weapon with which the fatal blows were struck in place of a hatchet as at first stated.

When Smalley entered the shop Saturday morning he saw a man leaving, whom he declared was Roberts. The other men had disappeared. Officers state that blood was found on Roberts' clothes.

The funeral will be held this afternoon. Coroner Heffran will hold an inquest in a few days but the time has not been definitely set as yet.

### JEANOT FAMILY SAFE IN CHARLEROI, BELGIUM

Secretary of State Bryan Transmits Report Concerning Local People To Their Friends Here.

The family of Adolph Jeanot, of Charleroi, is safe and getting along well in Charleroi, Belgium, according to news received by Secretary of State William J. Bryan and transmitted to people here through Congressman Henry W. Temple. Efforts are being made to find some of Jeanot's friends and to obtain from them a copy of his naturalization papers, or the naturalization papers that his citizenship may be proven.

**Notice Royal Arcanums.**  
All members of Charleroi Council No. 1240 are requested to be present at the meeting Monday, when a celebration will be held. 159-t2

**Newest Styles.**  
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### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

Methodist Episcopal Organization Holds Meeting at the Home of Mrs. J. N. Hormell.

At a reorganization meeting of the Sunday school class of the Methodist Episcopal church taught by Mrs. J. N. Hormell held at the home of Mrs. J. N. Hormell Friday night officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, Mrs. John H. Fife; vice president, Mrs. E. Hazebaker; teacher, Mrs. J. Hann; assistant teacher, Mrs. A. R. Mountsier; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. O. A. Phalan; assistant secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. N. Hormell; flower committee, Mrs. S. C. Deviney; chairman, Mrs. S. C. Deviney; chairman, Mrs. W. S. James, with all of class as members.

### MANY SLEEPERS DURING MONTH

One Hundred and Twenty Seven Unfortunate Men are Given A Place To Sleep and a Bowl of Soup During the Month.

During the month from December 10 to January 10 there were 127 men applied for a night's lodging at the borough lockup. The majority of these "sleepers" as they are termed, were given a bowl of soup at the expense of the borough. Considering the number that were given a bowl of soup the expense was slight. The bill for the entire month was a little over \$10.

It is only during the last two months that a register of the sleepers has been kept and a bowl of soup furnished them free. There were 100 names placed on the register during November 1. Many who have applied at the jail for a place to sleep stated that they were hungry and had little or nothing to eat for a day.

### FINAL REHEARSAL THIS EVENING FOR VAUDEVILLE

Program Will be Given By Veteran Guard Drum Corps Tomorrow Evening.

The final rehearsal will be held this evening in preparation for the first annual entertainment of the Veteran Guard Drum corps, which will be given in the high school auditorium tomorrow evening. Five feature acts have been arranged and an entertaining program is promised.

### JOHN J. OATES TO BE DELEGATE TO CONFERENCE

At a special meeting of the Monongahela Valley Trades council Saturday night John J. Oates was elected a delegate to the legislative conference which meets in Harrisburg, January 18.

The Charleroi Choral Society will meet in the First Presbyterian church Tuesday evening, January 12 at 8 p. m. All members urged to attend. 160-t1

**Star Theatre.**  
"Zodora" every Thursday beginning December 24 at Star Theatre. The greatest of all stories. 160-tt

## COAL HOUSE AND COAL BURNED SATURDAY

Flames Do Damage in Hill Section--Aged Lady

**Frightened by Reports of Fire and Suffers Severely From Shock.**

Fire of unknown origin destroyed a coal house and a quantity of coal belonging to Frederick Bertholdy in the rear of his property at 310 Shady avenue, Saturday night about 10:30 o'clock. The coal house was built on the lower end of the lot next to the alley and aside from the loss of the coal house and its contents no other damage was done.

Mr. Bertholdy lost about 40 bushels of coal. Jean Lessman, who lives in the upper part of the Bertholdy

house used one of the coal houses. He lost some things which he had stored in the coal house in addition to some coal. The fire seemed to start in the Lessman side of the building.

The mother of Mr. Bertholdy, who is an aged lady, was badly frightened by the fire. She was not at home when the fire was discovered, and was at first informed that her son's house was on fire. The excitement and shock was almost more than she could stand. Her condition was considered serious Saturday night.

### POULTRY SHOW

#### UNDER WAY

Bentleyville Chicken Fanciers Get Affairs in Readiness For Big Display--Well Known Men Serving As Officers of Association

Today was the first day of the four-day poultry show held in the Farmers and Miners bank hall here. Due to the somewhat late arrival of the coops and other display materials the act of setting things up was partially carried out this morning. Many birds are entered and everything bids fair to make the show a memorable attraction of the year in Bentleyville. The following officers are in charge of the cooping: H. J. Kirby, president; L. G. McMillen, vice president; Emory C. Snyder, secretary; Robert Johnson, treasurer; J. P. Miller, William E. Lahm, Charles McCormick, Charles Holder, Thomas H. Tudor, C. M. Shank and Henry Johnson, directors; Henry Johnson, Charles McCormick, Robert Johnson, I. L. Stewart, William J. Crawford and William J. Sperling, show committee.

The entire show will be conducted under the rule of the American Poultry Association. Oscar E. Miles, of Columbus, O., has been secured as poultry judge at a great expense to the local poultry association. Miles is a widely known man throughout Ohio. M. F. Crow will be superintendent of the show. A great many people, especially from the surrounding farming sections are attending the show. Beyond a doubt the show will start poultry enthusiasts throughout the Bentleyville section. Ellsworth, Beallsville, Charleroi, Monongahela, and many other nearby towns are represented in the show.

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### STRENGTH SHOWN

#### BY HIGH FIVE

Local Basketball Team Gives Evidence of Duplicating Championship Record of Last Year--Players Have Stamina and Speed.

The Charleroi high school basketball five this year again gives evidence of being a championship five, and of duplicating the exceptional record of last year. The two games with Munhall high school and Carnegie Tech Industrials have proven the staunchness of the players. One of the things which has tended to the detriment of the team is that with in the last few days of the resignation of Coach W. L. Lorimer. His place will likely be taken by Lloyd Wagner, late of Allegheny college.

Lowstuter seems to have the stamina and speed for one of the best forwards ever produced here, and the other forward will be played by Clertue and Fiedler, both fast men. Lutes and Ryland are equally strong at center, and the regular guards will be Speers and Stahlman. Speers and Lowstuter are the only two who played with the team last year, which produced Stahlman of Pitt, Jimmy Wagner, now with the State College varsity five, John Gant, of Williams and Ed. Lowstuter, now in the West Penn league.

### SOUTHSIDE TURNERS TO COME IN FULL STRENGTH

Basketball fans of Charleroi will have a chance to see the famous Southside Turners in action at the rink Wednesday night. The Turners have won ten games to date without being defeated once. The Juniors are confident of a victory Wednesday night, and as the Turners are also a good game is promised. This game starts at 7:20 and the League game at 8:30. The Charleroi lineup will be picked from Myers, Stech, Gelder, Herche, Lowstuter, McDowell, Wick-erham, Allen, Loedst and Zapf. The Turners lineup is Schafer and Englemahr, forwards; Schober, center; Heinsus and Mundy, guards.

#### A Good Opportunity.

Here is an opportunity for some person to have the use of a small pony from now until the first of June. All that is required is to take the pony and take good care of it until the above date. Send address to 451 Mail office. 145-tfp

## SENSATION BECAUSE OF BIG COAL SALE

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY  
LOCAL MUSICIANS ORDER

John Jenkins President of Organization, With Edward Wheeler as the Vice President

At a regular meeting Sunday of local No. 592, American Federation of Musicians, the following officers were installed: President, John Jenkins; vice president, Edward Wheeler; recording secretary, Samuel Simcox; financial secretary, Hartley Jones; treasurer, Fred Falise; sergeant at arms, Homer Frocheur; trustees, Otto Schultz, Nicholas Konecheck, Orville Evans. Light refreshments were served to the members after the meeting.

**J. V. Thompson and Associates Get \$34,000,000 for Tract.**

### SALE JUST CONCLUDED

**Uniontown Financier Returns  
From New York But Declines to Talk.**

News of the closing of negotiations for the sale of 50,000 acres of coal in the southwestern corner of Greene county by J. V. Thompson of Uniontown to persons believed to represent the allied interests of the United States Steel corporation and the H. C. Frick Coke company, has caused a sensation in financial circles in the eastern part of the country. The deal is said to involve \$34,000,000. According to authoritative information the deal is practically complete with the exception of drawing up to the legal documents.

Mr. Thompson when interviewed in New York where the deal was closed, declined to make known the identity of the purchasers, and refused entirely to see newspaper men upon his arrival in Pittsburgh Sunday afternoon. In Pittsburgh he was in conference at various times with W. A. Stone, an attorney of Uniontown; I. W. Semans and one of the Hogsett brothers of Uniontown, who are said to be interested in the deal.

Mr. Thompson's associates in the deal are among some of the best known business men, judges and bankers in Uniontown. Among them are Isaac W. Semans, F. M. Semans, cashier of the First National Bank of Uniontown; F. M. Semans, Jr., Capt. J. M. Husted, vice president of the First National Bank; William Hogsett, Samuel Hogsett, Robert Hogsett, W. M. Thompson, Bedford J. Tuit, James R. Barnes, Judge E. H. Reppert, Judge M. E. Umbel, Senator W. E. Crow and several others.

### THE DIAMOND ROBBERY TO BE SHOWN AT PALACE

"The Diamond Robbery" which is to be shown at the Palace theatre this afternoon and evening is one of the best of the Alliance films company releases. Nothing has been left undone to make the picture a success. Staging, costumes and background of all the actors and actresses have been carefully selected. In the cast of characters will be some of the stars of the American stage such as Wallace Eddinger, Gail Kane, Dorothy Arthur, Charles Ross.

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## HEALTH AND BEAUTY OF SKIN

For people pay sufficient attention to the care of the skin. A certain number of both sexes devote so little time to the care of that portion which appears above their collar, but few understand the real importance of the functions of the skin. Says Health Commissioner Samuel G. Dixon, in his weekly health talk: We breathe through the skin. A considerable volume of oxygen is absorbed by the body in this way. Certain poisonous substances are disposed of through the pores of the skin. These poisons are eliminated through the glands in the skin passing off in perspiration.

The skin is one of the body's thermostats that automatically regulate its temperature. If the heat grows excessive the blood vessels in the skin dilate and permit the circulation of an extraordinary amount of blood near the surface. This permits the radiation of the heat from the blood and the corresponding cooling of the body and stimulates a more active combustion.

When the body is exposed to cold if the skin is properly performing its functions it will contract and drive the blood away from the skin to concentrate its warmth near the vital organs.

The needs of the nerves which give us our sense of touch are located in the skin. This sensitiveness is for the continual protection of the body. In order that these various functions may be properly carried out it is essential that the skin be well cared for at all times. If the pores are not kept thoroughly clean, the poisonous excretions instead of being expelled are re-absorbed by the blood. Such a condition also prevents the skin from absorbing oxygen as it should do when properly performing its functions. Then too, there is the question of beauty. A clean, healthy, well-groomed skin is genuinely attractive.

Soap and water should be vigorously applied but no soap left on the skin after bathing. Sleep and exercise in fresh air combined with good food and plenty of water are better than all the skin foods and beautifiers and their consistent and regular use will add materially to the general bodily health and well-being.

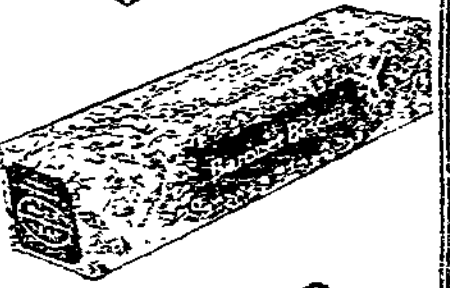
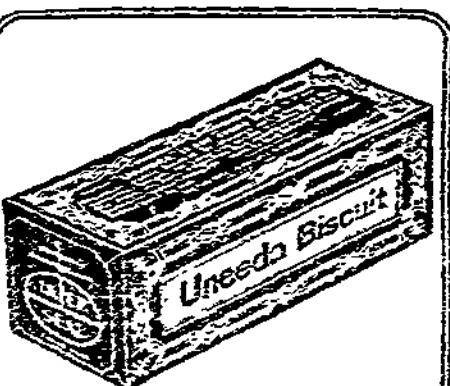
## NO INTERNATIONAL CRISIS

The explanation of Great Britain in the question of the supposed interference with United States commerce was about as expected. Some points may remain to be cleared, but there will be satisfaction. No alarmist need fear for the present any war between these powerful nations.

Common sense and diplomacy will win for peace where nothing else will. Haste thrusts nations into wars. It was haste and lack of conservative action that plunged Europe suddenly into the vortex of the greatest war in history. The United States is not facing any international crisis and the sooner we free our minds of the belief that is the happier we will be.

## PROPHETS.

So-called prophets and seers invariably fail when they get to predicting big things. If prophets had been left to run this old world, the end of creation would have taken place somewhere about the time of Socrates. Fortunately nobody with any groundwork pays any attention to these unfortunate and deluded persons. They are harmless, which is more than can be said of other classifi-



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## ELECTRIC SPARKS

The calendars that are pouring in are all pretty, but so far not one we have received indicates more than fifty-two paydays during 1915—Houston Post.

Every time Harry Thaw boos up on the front page we hear of William Travers Jerome getting a new job fighting him.

Why is it everybody has the notion that chores is synonymous with farm work and with nothing else.

War disarmament would be more relished from the Democratic administration if they would include with the disarmament the war tax.

With flour at \$8 per barrel we are apt to have visions of corn meal not as good as mother used to make.

His Specialty.  
"Why don't you go to work?" asked the farmer. "Cause no one won't gimme none in my line," replied the tramp. "I've applied to several railroads, but they won't have me."  
"What is your line?" Brakeman?  
"No, I make tracks," said the tramp, and then he made a few with the hammer a close second.—Philadelphia

## PICKED UP IN PASSING

"Pa, you haven't stopped growing have you?" asked four year old Harold of his dad who was snoozing comfortably in a big leather chair.  
"No," drawled dad, not noticing the question but experiencing a desire to be accommodating.  
"Will you grow bigger all over?"  
"Uh-huh."  
"Will your feet grow bigger?"  
"Uh-huh."  
"Over the floor to the wall?"  
"Uh-huh."  
"Out the window?"

"Uh-huh."  
"Then still grow bigger?"  
"Uh-huh."  
"Fill the room?"  
"Uh-huh," with a snore.  
"Push out the walls?"  
"Uh-huh," with another long-drawn snore.

Silence, unbroken save for snores regularly timed, reigned for a brief interval, then there was a loud wall from the youngster, that awakened Daddy in a jiffy.

"What the dickens is the matter with you?" he demanded. "Can't a fellow snooze a little without you howling about it?"

"Doo-hoo," cried the boy. "You said your feet would push out the walls. Then the house ud fall down. Doo-hoo."

"Papa," overruled the minister's small son, "is it true that we must be born again before we can go to heaven?"

"So the Scriptures teach us, my boy," was the reply.

"Well, I don't want to be born again," said the little fellow. "I'm afraid I might be born a girl the next time."—Chicago News.

"Grandma," said little Edith, suffering from an aching tooth. "I wish I had been born with teeth like yours. Cause when they ached I could take 'em out."

Little Margie had watched a man tune the piano and was told it was for the purpose of improving the sound. One day when her infant brother was crying she said: "Mamma, can't I telephone for the baby tuner?"

"Say, mamma," remarked small Sammie, "let us play I'm a big old tramp and come to the back door and scare you so bad that you give me a piece of pie and a piece of cake to go away!"

## PERSONALS

Paul Haube and daughter Blanche have returned to their home at Blairsville after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Haube.

Mrs. Emma Craft of Brownsville spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Newcomer of Fifth street.

Miss Sara Claybaugh visited with relatives at Brownsville Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Pardini has returned from Connellsville where she has been visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Drum and daughters Sarah Bell and Ruth Louise visited at California Sunday.

Misses Grace Reader, Rhoda Armstrong and Bessie Dowler of Monessen visited with Miss Victorine Hantisse Sunday.

Misses Victorine and Florence Labadie visited at Monongahela Sunday.

Mrs. Protont and daughters Alike and Evelyn of Monessen visited in Charleroi Sunday.

Misses Adalaide Leque and Margaret Morgan visited at Belle Vernon Sunday.

A. Nipper of Belle Vernon visited in Charleroi Sunday.

Misses Anna Saylor and Florence Dordain spent Sunday in Belle Vernon.

Miss Mary Day who holds a position in Pittsburg was an over Sunday visitor with Mrs. John Hornell.

Carl H. Rauschenberg was in Pittsburg Sunday to attend a banquet of the Pittsburg Screen club of which he is a charter member at the Wabash building.

Robert Spahr has been taken to the Allegheny General hospital at Pittsburg, to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Lloyd Gunie spent Sunday in Braddock.

Miss Lula Furlong spent Sunday in Fayette City.

W. L. Peterson went to the Allegheny General hospital in Pittsburg this morning where he will undergo an operation.

Mrs. Henry Wilson has returned to her home in Fayette City from the Homeopathic hospital in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Miller of Meadville have been visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. George S. Migit of McKean avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barnett of Uniontown spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Charleroi.

Misses Pauline and Louise Assenat and Flora Froehner spent Sunday in Donora.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Clark spent Sunday in East Liverpool, O.

William Brompich, who has been employed in a local store for the past two years has accepted a position with a wholesale grocery firm in Pittsburg.

## BENTLEYVILLE

Miss Shatz Worse  
Miss Lillian Shatz, a well known Bentleyville girl who slipped and fell on the ice some time ago at Ellsworth, sustaining so severe injuries that she was taken to the West Penn hospital in Pittsburg is reported to not be recovering from the hurts. Mrs. H. Shatz, mother of the injured girl, received word of the setback in her daughter's recovery and immediately hastened to the West Penn hospital. Nothing more concerning the girl's condition has reached town.

Bridges Numbered.  
Saturday when the inspector numbered the county bridges the three bridges, the Washington street bridge, Main street bridge and Church street bridge, were numbered 25, 26, and 27, respectively.

Many Shots.  
Bentleyville citizens are complaining of the great number of revolver shots heard at almost any interval of the night. It is not uncommon to hear half a dozen revolver shots in rapid succession in the "wee, sma' hours." The complainers say that it momentarily verifies their dreams that the great war as at last reached the United States.

Entertainers.  
Mrs. H. T. Harris, of Ellsworth, very pleasantly entertained her mother, Mrs. Hudson C. Crouch of Second street, Bentleyville, by inviting in a number of lady friends with the knowledge of her mother. The party was a complete surprise and success. The event was in honor of the mother's birthday. Mrs. Crouch's choice color, pink and white was used entirely in the many decorations. Those attending were: Mrs. William Strong, Mrs. Edward Hackert, Mrs. Thomas H. Frye, Mrs. J. Elliott Richardson, Mrs. James Lahn all of Bentleyville. A well arranged program was carried out.

Lessons Borough.  
The court has given its final decree on the petition of Ezra Sauters to disincorporate a portion of his farm from the borough of Bentleyville. The decree was favorable. A few years ago Harvey Carson started a petition to dismember his farm from the borough of Bentleyville on the grounds that the borough taxes did little good to the adjoining roads. He however, failed in this.

Nuptials.  
Last week Carl A. Sargent, of Beallsville, and Miss Lulu Mae Murray of Parkers Landing were married at the home of the latter. Mr. Sargent is a well known business man in the Beallsville-Bentleyville section. The wedding took place in a quiet and desirable manner. The newly weds will make their home in Beallsville.

Personal Mention.  
Mrs. Alfred Thomas and son of Marianna have returned after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joshua W. Hands of the Frye plan.

A. Barkley Richardson is having his livery barn on Main street repaired. A new roof to the entire building is being constructed.

Mrs. George Newman is able to be out again after a rather lengthened spell of illness.

H. Robinson of Beallsville was a business caller in town Saturday.

E. V. Kauffmann, wife and family have returned to their home here after spending a few days among friends and relatives in Brownsville.

This morning to resume school work after spending the week end with her parents of Eighty Four.

Thomas J. Walker has returned to resume school duties after spending the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker of North Pigeon Creek.

Mrs. Leroy Humes of Mars is spending some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hawkins of Beallsville.

Mrs. G. E. Renshaw of near town has returned after a pleasant visit with friends in Monongahela.

Miss Kate Mancha has returned home after a visit with friends in Charleroi.

Morris Bank has returned to his home in Cokeburg after a business trip to Pittsburg.

Herbert H. Hertzog, cashier of the Farmers and Miners bank, was a business caller in Monongahela Friday.

Miss May Mitchell of Charleroi returned home after enjoying several days with friends in and around Bentleyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watkins the former being chief of police at Cokeburg have left for a visit with relatives in Somersdale, O.

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## ONCE ENOUGH FOR PARROT

Bird's Tour of Discovery Forced Stoppage of Mill, but it Taught Him Wisdom.

The sixty-odd thousand spindles of the Sharp Mill at New Bedford, Mass., suddenly ceased to whirl the other day and 650 operatives sat idle at their machines. And it was all the fault of Jimmie, a parrot, the mascot of the engine room.

It was this noisy bird that shut down the mill. Whether the hum of the big rope drive became to him suddenly the murmur of south winds in tropical trees, or whether mere caprice lured him, he flew right up among the rushing ropes and rapidly revolving pulleys. The engineer saw him mount, but it was too late to stop him. And so off went the steam, production or no production, and the engine room force rushed to see what had become of Jimmie.

He had been hurried over the top of the big pulley to the floor below. They found him there, ruffled of wings, badly shaken up, and still dazed from his rough adventure, but physically uninjured. And every one gave thanks, as the mascot was borne back to his perch at the other end of the room, with the admonition never to try it again.

Jimmie, indeed, from that hour became a sadder and wiser bird. He has not tried the experience again; consequently the mill's sixty thousand spindles have revolved throughout the days without interruption. That one meeting with the whirling ropes was enough for the parrot.

Jimmie, however, condescended to descend from his perch again one day, when a cat, whose rightful residence is in the basement under the engine room, ventured within the parrot's domain. Jimmie evidently believes that in him alone is vested the right to act as mascot of the engine room. He drove the cat on the run.

Jimmie is the property of Mr. Sharp himself, and was brought by him to the mill. He is a macaw and observes the fashions of his species by having a very long tail and a strong, hooked bill. His plumage is brilliant. His original home was South America. Like other inhabitants of that part of the world, he is a revolutionist. His invasion of the region of belts and pulleys stopped the mill. The intrusion of the cat caused her ignoble retreat.

He is as polished in his manners as a Spaniard, and as flighty in his temper as a Venezuelan insurrectionist. He is, in fine, of the south, polite, hot tempered, sporting gorgeous raiment, and fearless of death.

Presence of Mind.  
An Englishman in traveling through Ceylon was the guest of a dockyard official at Trincomalee.

"The dinner was excellent," he says, "but when it was about half over I was startled by hearing the wife of my host tell the native servant to place a bowl of milk on a deer-skin near her chair."

"Although she spoke as calmly as if giving an ordinary order, I knew at once there was a snake somewhere in the room, for they prefer milk to anything else. As a hasty movement might have meant certain death, we all sat like statues; but, for all that, my eyes were inspecting every nook and corner, with a peep under the table. However, it was not until the milk was placed on the deer-skin that the snake appeared. And then to our

Artesian Wells in Australia.  
In the rolling downs country of western Queensland the artesian supply of water has, when tapped, rendered it possible to carry on industries dependent on water supply. Human ingenuity and research have supplied from nature's subterranean reservoirs an unfailing supply of water both for drinking and irrigation. At the end of the year 1912 there were 1879 artesian bores in Queensland. The deepest bore is situated at Elmerah, in the central west. This bore has a depth of 1,564 feet. The shallowest bore is at Manfred Downs, also in the central west, which yields a supply of 2,000 gallons per day at a depth of 165 feet. The Charleville bore has a depth of 1,371 feet and the largest flow in the state—3,000,000 gallons per day. The estimated aggregate daily flow from all bores in Queensland is 529,317,500 gallons. To obtain this supply necessitated 354.68 miles in depth of boring. In some of these bores the water has a high temperature, and requires cooling before being used for domestic purposes.

## WHAT WILL RELIEVE STOMACH TROUBLE

A Hard Question—But This Retired Ohio Farmer Answers It—Mr. Matteson's Statements Are Reliable.

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## BERRYMAN'S CHARLEROI'S LIVE STORE

## BLANCHE BABBITT A GRAND WITH THE

Former Charleroi Girl to be Seen Vaudeville This Week at the Grand Theatre—Narrative of Career Told in Press Writings

The following writeup concerning Miss Blanche Babbitt, formerly Charleroi, who is to appear this week at the Grand Theatre in Pittsburgh published in Sunday's Gazette Times, a young woman who formerly lived in Charleroi will appear Harry Tighe in vaudeville at the Grand Opera House this week. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. Babbitt, formerly of Charleroi, and a close friend of the Governor of Pennsylvania, John K. Tener. Babbitt, or Babette as she is known professionally was born in Warburg, Greene county and a few years ago came to Pittsburgh to study musical culture under S. Richard Knapp. She became soprano soloist at Oakland Methodist Episcopal church in which capacity she served several years. Her voice attracted the attention of Shirley, the famous vocal instructor of New York upon the latter's advice she moved to the metropolis and prepared for stage. It was he who gave her pseudonym of Babette. She is to have been the original cabaret of New York—the first woman former to appear in the cabaret. After a year in this work Babette went to Europe and in London at the time played in the long run of "The Ragtime," in which Ethel L. an American vaudeville favorite former wife of George M. Cohan was the star.

Character Not Admired by Women Nothing displeases women more than an austere and self-contained character. They see that they have no hold upon it; its dignity, its pride, its rebels, its preoccupations keep them aloof.—Hippolyte Taine.

### Pertinent Question.

Mistress—"Jane, we are going to have company for dinner, and I want to speak to you about the cooking." Maid—"Yesum; are they your relatives or your husband's?"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Woman's Long Dog-Sled Trip. The cold and frozen Arctic had particular terrors for Mrs. J. L. Bond, wife of Captain Bond, who has returned to San Francisco with her husband and the Thirtieth regiment infantry from a two years' stay in Alaska at Fort Gibbon.

Mrs. Bond entered enthusiastically into the sports of the region of the midnight sun, snow, and perpetual ice, becoming an expert skier and something of a musher. The longest and most perilous trip which she took was made with her own dog team company with Mrs. R. H. Pearson and two expert guides from Fort Gibbon to Fairbanks, then to Chena Hot Springs and back to Fort Gibbon, a distance of 650 miles. The thermometer stood between 40 and 50 below zero during the whole of the trip. Mr. Bond says she enjoyed every mile of the trip and refused to admit that there was anything hazardous in it. They were well provided with food and covers.

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## WAR NOTES

London, Jan. 11.—In the absence of any important news from the battle field the attention of the British press is occupied with the reply to the American note. In the western theatre of war water and mud prevents infantry engagements, but artillery and high explosives are being used continuously. The gains which have been made by the French have been made at heavy cost.

Honolulu, Jan. 11.—A contingent of 60 volunteers for the British army have arrived from the Fiji islands on board the steamer Makura on the way to Vancouver. Many of them are wealthy residents of the islands, but all are traveling as steerage passengers.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—Great Britain's preliminary reply to the note from the United States government requesting an improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet has been made public. The reply concurs in the American view on commerce between neutral nations and

also of the difficulties at a time like this. England will make redress whenever its fleet exceeds legal limits. The reply is considered friendly.

Paris, Jan. 11.—The French government announces that in the future the policy of Germany will be followed in the holding of surgeons and nurses. French surgeons and nurses are being held by the Germans. In the future the French government will accord other German prisoners only the same treatment as are accorded French prisoners in Germany.

Petrograd, Jan. 11.—On the left bank of the Vistula nothing but desultory engagements have taken place. Attacks of the Germans have been repulsed and their trenches taken. There is little change on the Austrian front, except that the Austrians have retreated further and more prisoners have been taken.

Paris, Jan. 11.—Russia's tremendous success in the Austrian crown land of Bukovina, together with the growing friction between Turkey and Italy points to the speedy entrance of Rumania and Italy into the war. It is believed that Bulgaria and Greece are about to join the calling.

## CHARLEROI FIVE IS BEATEN BY CRAFTON

West Penn Leaguers From Magic City Fail to Show up Pittsburghers And Go Down to Defeat by The Score of 68 to 28.

Charleroi never had a chance Saturday night according to the press writeup with the Crafton five in a West Penn League game in the Crafton auditorium, being overwhelmingly defeated. 68 to 28. Crafton scored almost at will, Baker, McGarry and Creed starring at this end of the game. Lineup:

Crafton—68	Charleroi—28	
Baker	F	Stark
McGarry	F	Irwin
Creed	G	Laboone
Meyers	G	Brown
Goldman	G	Burke

Field goals—Baker 7, McGarry 8, Creed 6, Meyers, Goldman 5, Stark 3, Irwin, Laboone 2. Goals from fouls—Baker 14 out of 19, Stark 9 out of 12, Irwin 3 out of 8. Referee—Smith.

### ANCHOR CLASS OF LOCAL CHURCH HOLDS MEETING

The Anchor class of the First Christian Sunday school held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Thomas Jenkins at Lock View Friday afternoon. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Elizabeth Alfrey, president; Mrs. J. Alfrey, vice president; Miss Sarah Henning, secretary; Mrs. George Thompson, assistant secretary; Mrs. Harry May, treasurer; Mrs. Carl Corwin, teacher. Reports of the work during the past year were given by the retiring officers. After the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed during which a lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held in February with Mrs. C. Lewis.



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And little feet and great,  
Pretty feet, and homely feet  
And feet that do not mate.  
There are tender feet and tough feet,  
Narrow feet and wide.  
Short feet and long feet  
And feet you'd like to hide.

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And if this is what you are looking for,  
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## EARLY MEN IN AFRICA

TRACES OF RACE THAT HUNTED  
ANIMALS LONG EXTINCT.

Interesting Discovery of Mammalian  
Bones and Human Implements  
Made by Scientist Near  
Bloemfontein—Proves  
Old Theory.

A most interesting discovery has lately been made showing the existence of a primitive race of men in South Africa. Doctor Broom of Germiston, whose archaeological and geological researches have made his name familiar to scientists in Europe and America, told of a specially interesting discovery recently made of a hot spring 30 miles north of Bloemfontein, in the course of operations designed to open up the eye of the spring. To do this it was necessary to tunnel into a sand hill, and in the course of the operations the workmen came upon a large quantity of mammalian bones associated with human implements and a quantity of charred wood.

The significance of the discovery was realized by the first finders but, fortunately, a Dutch woman in the district suspected they had scientific value, and prevented the finds from being dispersed. Doctor Broom went down and examined them. He found that the bones were chiefly those of hippopotami, eland, the huge extinct buffalo of South Africa, whose horns used to attain a span of twelve feet; the gigantic Cape horse long since extinct, which far exceeded the Clydesdale in size; an extinct variety of wild beeste; the wart hog, and a number of small buck, not yet identified.

Previous discoveries had caused scientists to believe that man had lived in South Africa contemporaneously with the extinct giant buffalo, but the proofs available were inconclusive. Dr. Broom regards this discovery as proving their co-existence beyond doubt. The find further proves that extinct animals were killed and their bones broken, and indicates that their flesh was cooked by some primitive race of human beings. The implements found included stone knives and large spear heads, but no evidences were found of the presence of what are regarded as typical Bushman stones.

At present there is some doubt as to the race to which the human beings who hunted these giant buffalo belonged. In this connection it has been noted that the bones of an extinct buffalo and horse possibly identical with those discovered in South Africa have been found in Algeria. It is thought possible, therefore, that the tribe which hunted them migrated south along with these extinct animals during the last ice age. It is further thought that those ancient people were probably white and of European stock. Doctor Broom has sent a representative collection of the bones to Cape Town.

### They Locked Him Up.

Miss Fola La Follette, apropos of the late clothing strike, in which she took an active interest, said at a tea in New York:

"Such kind conduct as you mention in your argument would be aberration, or almost aberration, on the operator's part. It makes me think of a lunacy story."

"A commissioner in lunacy had called a woman to the stand."

"And now," said the commissioner's attorney to her, "what is your ground for claiming that the prisoner is insane?"

"The woman gulped, wiped her eyes, and answered:

"Well, gentlemen, he took me to the theater twice in one week. Each time we went in a taxicab, we had supper each time after the performance, and each time he bought me chocolates and flowers. He didn't once go out to see a man between the acts, either."

"But, madam," said a commissioner, "surely these actions do not prove insanity on the prisoner's part."

"But you forget, sir," said the lady, with a sad smile, "you forget that the prisoner is my husband."

### Obviously Untrue.

The managing editor was disappointed, and he told the city editor so. "Why didn't you print that story young Pounder turned in last night?" he wanted to know.

"Which story?" asked the city editor.

"The only about the crazy man scattering money through the city streets. That was a good story and full of interest. It would have been exclusive, too. I see the other papers haven't got it."

"Well, I didn't print it because I thought it one of Pounder's fakes."

"What makes you think so?"

"It stands to reason. If it had been true Pounder would have been following him yet."

### Can't Keep a Good Man Down.

The way for a young man to rise is to improve himself in every way he can, never suspecting that anybody wishes to hinder him. Allow me to assure you that suspicion and jealousy never did help any man in any situation. There may sometimes be ungenerous attempts to keep a young man down; and they will succeed, too, if he allows his mind to be diverted from its true channel to brood over the attempted injury. Cast about, and see if this failing has not injured every person you have ever known to fall into it.—Abraham Lincoln.

## HOPE FOR WOMEN OF FIFTY

Time When She Should Be Philosophical and Prepared for Wise Old Age.

There are people today asking with all appearance of sincerity what a woman of fifty or more can do. These queries, in the home say these queries, is due to a common-sense notion is that they be utilized in politics. This suggestion has its counter-sie, Miss Tarbell declares. A person who has nothing to do after fifty years of life in a business as many-sided and demanding as that of a woman can hardly be expected to be worth much in a business as complicated and uncertain as politics and for which she had had no training. The notion that the woman's business is ended at fifty or sixty is far from the extreme. It only ends there if she has been blind to the meaning of her own experiences; if she has never gone below the surface of her task—never seen in it anything but physical duties; has sensed none of its intimate relations to the community, none of its obligations toward those who have left her, none of those toward the oncoming generation. If it ends there she has failed to realize, too, the tremendous importance to all those who follow in her circle or who touch it of what she makes of herself, or her personal achievement.

A woman of fifty or sixty who has succeeded has come to a point of sound philosophy and serenity which is of the utmost value in the mental and spiritual development of the group to which she belongs. Like at every one of its seven stages has its peculiar harrowing experiences—hope mingled with uncertainty in youth; fear and struggle characterize early manhood; disillusionment, the question whether it is worth while, fill the years from forty to fifty, but resolute grappling with each period brings one out almost inevitably into a fine serene certainty which cannot but have its effect on those who are younger. Ripe old age—cheerful, useful, and understanding—is one of the finest influences in the world. We hang Rembrandt's or Whistler's picture of his mother on our walls that we may feel its quieting hand, the sense of peace and achievement which the picture carries. We have no better illustration of the meaning of old age.—American Magazine.

## TRIUMPH OF GERMAN CHEMIST

Dr. Von Bolton Has Succeeded in Making Diamonds From Illuminating Gas.

Dr. W. Von Bolton has been trying to grow diamonds. At a recent congress of the German Bunsen society he described the decomposition of illuminating gas under the action of sodium amalgam, which precipitated the carbon in the form of black coal and, it seemed, of diamonds, but these were in too small quantity to permit of analysis. Dr. Bolton determined to obtain a greater quantity by making diamonds grow on some mother substance.

The Scientific American says he placed 50 grams of 14 per cent sodium amalgam in a long testing tube, and coated the upper layer with a dilute water-glass solution, over which he spread amorphous diamond powder. The tube was kept at a temperature of 100 degrees centigrade in a water bath, after which a slow current of moistened illuminating gas was introduced. The amalgam was allowed to give off its mercury vapor for one month, when very little black carbon had been separated, but on the layer covered with diamond powder many particles of high brilliancy were found.

The contents of the tube were boiled in a platinum crucible with a mixture of fluorine and sulphuric acids. The microscope revealed that the amorphous powder had been converted into brilliant crystals, true diamonds, still too small, however, to allow of analysis.

### New Use of the Banana.

"There are now in Jamaica six factories manufacturing banana figs, chips, meal and flour," said James McC. Harris of Boston, who recently returned from Jamaica. "During the seasons at which the fruit is cheapest, all of these plants are run at their maximum capacity. The methods of drying the fruit are different in different plants though all resort, I believe, to a hot air process. It takes about 100 to 200 pounds of the fruit to manufacture 100 pounds of meal. The banana fig is as palatable as the natural fig and resembles it closely in color. It has replaced the natural fig in many markets in which it has been introduced. The chips are sold primarily for breakfast foods, being made into a porridge. Several of the manufacturers, who deal in the European markets, ship the chips to their mills in those European cities and have it ground into meal there. Grist mills, the same kind used for manufacturing meal from corn, are used."

### Trust Father.

"Well, what do you think of things?" inquired father as the bus drove away from the station.

"This scenery ain't what I expected," complained mother.

"I don't believe that mountain is half as high as the booklet claimed," declared sister.

"That sunset ain't up to the standard," was brother's comment.

"Go slow, folks," counseled father, "the meal's and the beds come up to the booklet, we won't kick."

## CHOCOLATE PLANT IS NATIVE

Has Been Cultivated in Many Countries, But It Undoubtedly Originated in America.

The chocolate plant is a native of America. When first introduced into Europe chocolate was used only as a luxury, but it speedily advanced in popularity. It is now cultivated in countries far from its original home. The chocolate plant, as well as tea and coffee, has been cultivated from time immemorial. Chocolate as a beverage rapidly made its way in Europe, beginning in Spain, whether it was first brought.

The seeds of the chocolate plant are in pods. In preparing the seeds for market there has been but little change since early times. First the seeds are allowed to ferment, and thus they lose the slight bitterness which they possess when fresh. Then they are carefully dried, and in this condition they stand transparent. In manufacturing the seeds or beans are roasted, by which process the shell of the seed becomes detachable from the kernel, which is the part used. Next the roasted kernels are ground.

In early times the Mexicans used the flat stones on which their maize was ground for the grinding of the roasted seeds of chocolate. Chocolate consists of the roasted, shelled and ground seeds. Sweet chocolate is the same with the addition of sugar and flavoring extracts. Cocoa consists of the roasted and ground seeds from which the oil has been removed. Experiments have shown that if the seeds are rightly treated from the first to the last stage of manufacture no objection can be urged against the beverage produced from them. It is of importance that these seeds should be grown and selected with the greatest care and should, after reaching the factory, receive the most careful and skillful treatment.—Harper's Weekly.

## FOR UNIFORM ROAD LAWS

Canada to Join Hands With the United States if Premier Borden Approves the Idea.

Canada will be represented with the United States in an endeavor to obtain uniform laws pertaining to road building, if the proposition meets the approval of Premier Borden, according to an announcement made at the American Road congress by A. W. Campbell, deputy minister of railways and canals for the Canadian government. Mr. Campbell said that he would use his influence in urging the premier to consent to the appointment of a committee to confer with a committee representing the American Highway association and the American Bar association to evolve a plan for uniform road laws.

"I realize that in Canada, as well as throughout the United States, we have 40 varieties of road laws for every province," said Mr. Campbell. "This tends to retard real road work, and I heartily endorse any plan that would bring about practically the same laws for both the United States and Canada relative to good roads."

### London to Have New Lord Mayor.

Though he does not assume office till November 9, the election of the lord mayor of London, England, the successor of the fabled Dick Whittington, and other historic magistrates, takes place this month. Already it is announced that the choice of the liverymen, the members of the city companies, who elect the lord mayor, has fallen upon Sir Thomas Vansittart Bowater, who is the head of a large firm of paper merchants. Sir Vansittart as he is popularly called, has been a common councilman since 1899. He was high sheriff of London in 1905-6, when he assisted the lord mayor of the day, Sir Walter Vaughan-Morgan, to entertain the late King George of Greece at the Guildhall, and to welcome King George and Queen Mary, at that time prince and princess of Wales, on their return home from India. Sir Vansittart, during his year of office, made civic visits to Milan and Rome, when he was honored with an audience by the king of Italy.

### Profitable Sunko Scheme.

Among the extraordinary frauds which have been perpetrated was one put into operation by a company of schemers who told a confiding public that many fortunes were to be made by importing into England compressed dried grapes from Spain, Italy and elsewhere, then saturating them with good English water, and making wine from them. It was stated in the prospectus that dried grapes could be imported at a much cheaper rate than wine, and that it was possible to produce an equal quantity of wine of equal quality to that made abroad. Thousands of pounds were subscribed by the British public, who firmly believed in the idea until the scheme collapsed.

### Middle Verse of Bible.

The middle verse of the Bible is the eighth verse of the 118th Psalm. The twenty-first verse of the seventh chapter of Ezra contains all the letters of the alphabet except the letter J. The longest verse is the ninth verse of the eighth chapter of Esther. The shortest verse is the ninth verse of the eleventh chapter of St. John.

### In the Wrong Shop.

An old gentleman walked up to the pretty girl attendant at the counting room of a daily newspaper office and said: "Miss, I would like to get copies of your paper for a week back." "You had better get a porous plaster," she abstractedly replied. "You get them just across the street."